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SUBJECT: US IN PRAVDA ON FOURTH

1. PRAVDA (JULY 4) CONTINUES ITS COVERAGE OF THE LENINGRAD ACTIVITIES OF THE US SENATORIAL DELEGATION. MEETINGS WITH CITY AND OBLAST OFFICIALS ARE REPORTED, AS WELL AS THE WREATH-LAYING CEREMONY AT PISKAREVSKOE. PRAVDA QUOTES SENATOR RIBICOFF'S REMARKS THAT THE TRIP WILL PROVIDE THE SENATORS MUCH FOOD FOR THOUGHT IN THE FUTURE.

2. SELECTED EXCERPTS FROM US PRESS STORIES COMMENTING ON THE DELEGATION'S MEETING WITH BREZHNEV ALSO WERE CARRIED.

THE NYT, ACCORDING TO PRAVDA, STRESSED THE SERIOUS QUESTIONS DISCUSSED WITH BREZHNEV IN A CONSTRUCTIVE ATMOSPHERE. THE WASHINGTON POST REPORTEDLY WROTE THAT, ALTHOUGH THERE WERE NO UNEXPECTED DIVERSIONS FROM WELL-KNOWN POSITIONS, THE SENATORS HOPED THAT INCREASED MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING COULD RESULT IN IMPROVED BILATERAL RELATIONS. THE POST ADDED THAT THE MEETINGS IN MOSCOW WILL BE USEFUL IN IMPROVING THE GENERAL ATMOSPHERE. ALSO MENTIONED BY THE POST AND AP WAS BOTH SIDES' DESIRE FOR NUCLEAR ARMS CONTROL AND PEACE.

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3. IN THE US COVERAGE, SECRETARY SCHLESINGER'S COMMENTS

ON LIMITED NUCLEAR WAR RECEIVED PREDICTABLE CRITICISM
IN PRAVDA OHROUGHT ITS CITING OF AMERICAN CRITICS SUCH
AS TERRY SANFORD, BELLA ADZUG, AND FRED HARRIS.
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